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Making Pictures in 18th Century Japan Matthew P. McKelway Atsumi Associate Professor, Columbia University

Painters active in 18th Century Kyoto

Ogata Kōrin 尾形光琳 (1658-1716) Watanabe Shikō 渡邊始興 (1683-1755) Yosa Buson 与謝蕪村 (1716-1784) Itō Jakuchū 伊藤若冲 (1716-1800) Ike Taiga 池大雅 (1723-1776) Soga Shōhaku 曾我蕭白 (1730-1781) Maruyama Ōkyo 円山応挙 (1733-1795) Ganku 岸駒 (1749-1839) Goshun 呉春 (1752-1811) Nagasawa Rosetsu 長澤蘆雪 (1754-1799)

Heian jinbutsu shi (Who's Who of Kyoto), published in 1768 (Meiwa 5); 1774 (An'ei 4); 1782 (Tenmei 2); 1813 (Bunka 10); 1822 (Bunsei 5); etc.

Formats of painting

- hanging scroll (掛物 kakemono; 掛け軸 kakejiku)
- handscroll (巻物 makimono; 巻子 kansu)
- folding screen (屏風 *byōbu*)
- fan painting (扇 ōgi; 扇子 sensu; 団扇 uchiwa)
- sliding panel (襖 *fusuma*)

- drawer panel (小襖 kobusuma)
- wall painting (壁貼付け kabe haritsuke)
- free-standing, single-panel screen (衝立 *tsuitate*)
- wooden door (板戸 *itado*)
- votive painting (絵馬 ema)

Painting supports / media

- paper (kōzō; gasenshi; chikushi)
- silk (kinu; eginu)

- silk satin (*nume*)
- gold leaf; silver leaf

Other terms

- Rimpa 琳派: lit., "school of [Kō-]rin"
- Nanga 南画: the "southern school" of painting; i.e. literati painting (bunjinga)
- sekiga 席画: lit., "painting from the seat"; painting as performance
- haiga 俳画: paintings of haikai (haiku) verse
- shasei 写生: lit., "depicting life"; i.e. realism

Major painting manuals

- *Mustard Seed Garden Manual of Painting* (published in China: 1679; Japanese edition: ca. 1748)
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